The Rawlings-Elkner house is atypical for Cecil County and, in fact, is ONE OF TWO known structures of its type in the county, at this time. The two story three bay by one room hewn log house looks ordinary enough at first, until one notices the central brick chimney and off center placement of the front door. These two features indicate a probable German background to this structure. owner of the house at the probable time of construction was a member of the Rawlings family which does not indicate a German heritage. The 1840's deed which releases the property from Rebecca Rawlings mentions Rebecca Rawlings, Henry McVey, Elizabeth Laggart, all of Lancaster Co., Pa. which is a heavy Germanic area. Whether the Rawlings Family brought this house type and plan with them in mind when they moved to Cecil County will never be known but the structure is anunusual house type for Cecil County. When the Germans migrated south into Maryland in the 18th and 19th Centuries was primarily through Western Maryland Counties.

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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Rawlings-Eilner House is a mid 19th century log structure, of probable German plan located on Johnson Road mile east of Route 222. The main facade of the log structure faces south with the primary gable running east/west. Entry was not permitted in this case, but should be sought since the structure appeared relatively untouched, aside from a Victorian addition.

The main block is a 2 story three bay by one bay log structure. Subsequent 12 late 19th century addition was added on with a perpendicular orientation to the earlier log block. A single story shed roof front porch extends across the main facade of the entire structure. The entire building rests on an uncoursed stone foundation and is sheathed with novelty siding. The slate roof is of a steep pitch.

The main facade of the three room plan has three openings on the first floor and two on the second. An entrance is located between the two first floor 6/6 sash but slightly off-center. The window trim has a small bead. The windows on the second floor are also 6/6. There is a boxed cornice that extends across the log section. A stretcher bond stack rises out of the central area of the roof.

The east gable end is partially covered with a single story shed addition. The rest is covered with unpainted weatherboard siding. One board has fallen away to expose the logs. The corner notching was not exposed. A 6/1 sash lights the attic. The eaves are portected by a plain bargeboard.

The north side is similar to the south with window and door placements in the same positions.

The west end is totally covered by the late 19th century section.

A uncoursed stone meat house is located to the east and south of the house. It is approximately 6'x 6' and is covered with a slate roof. The main door is located off-center on the west wall and has a mortise and tenon door frame.

Large 19th century barn buildings, in rather delapidated states, are located to the west of the main house. The barns have a typical three bay framing and are sheathed with board and batten siding. One cupola remains. The roof looks to be sagging seriously, probably due to the tremendous weight of the slate roof.

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Rawlings-Eikmer House is an important structure of probable German plan with the asymmetrical exterior arrangement of doors and windows. The interior was not open for inspection but should be actively sought since it appears relatively untouched. The fact that the house is one of a few log structures remaining in the area is also significant. The house appears on the Lake Atlas and under the ownership of Z. T. Rawlings. (1877)

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11/1/1921 Solie P. Johnson

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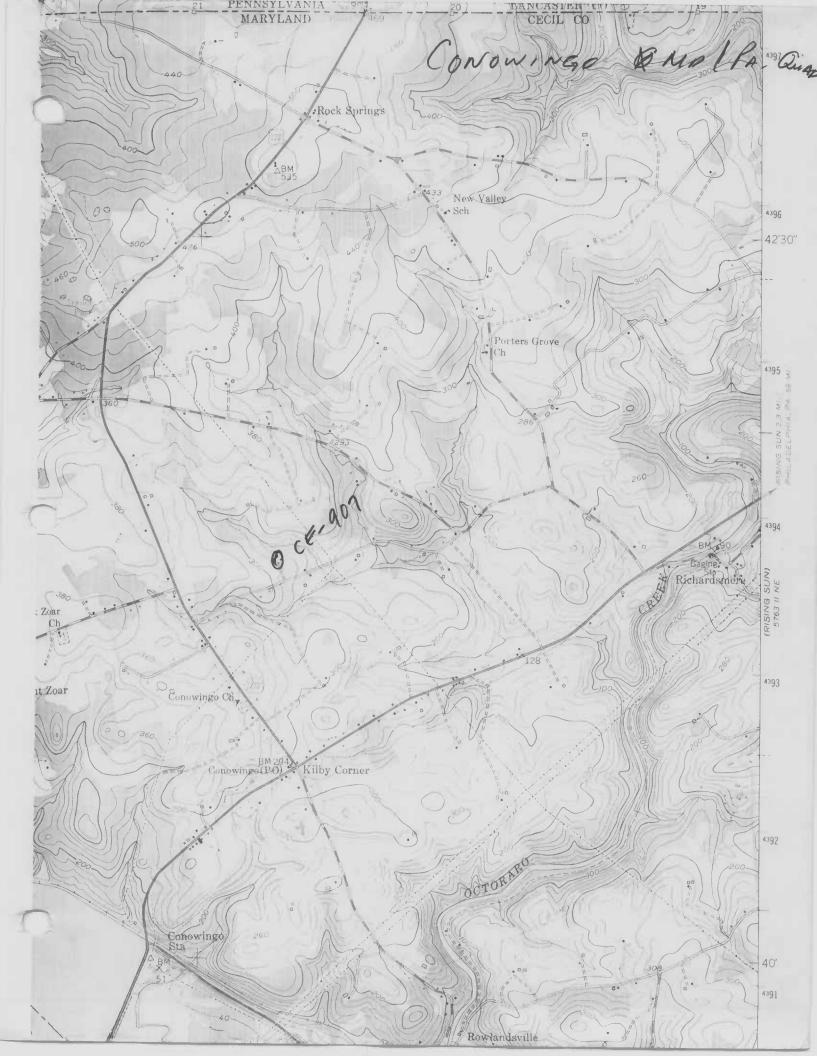
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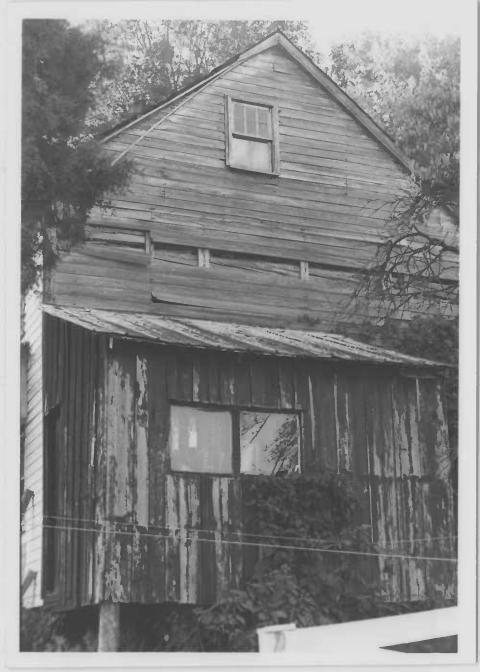


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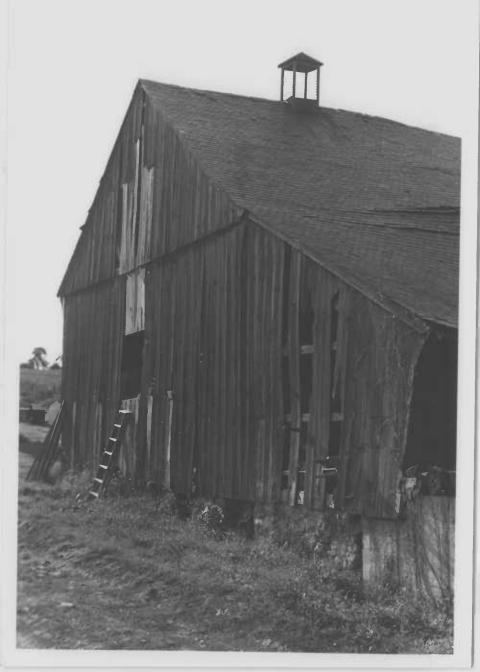
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